

EC-9594. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Preference for Local 8(a) Contractors—Base Closure or Realignment" received on October 9, 2002; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9595. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Competition Requirements for Purchases from a Required Source" received on October 9, 2002; to the Committee on Armed Services.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. KENNEDY, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1284: A bill to prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. (Rept. No. 107-341).

By Mr. JEFFORDS, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1602: A bill to help protect the public against the threat of chemical attack. (Rept. No. 107-342).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs:

Report to accompany S. 3054, a bill to provide for full voting representation in Congress for the citizens of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes. (Rept. No. 107-343).

NOMINATION DISCHARGED

The following nomination was discharged from the Committee on Foreign Relations pursuant to the order of November 15, 2002:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Mary Carlin Yates, of Oregon, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Ghana.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. BREAUX:

S. 3170. A bill to authorize Chief Judge Richard T. Haik, of the western district of Louisiana, to participate in the retirement program provided for judicial officials under section 376 of title 28, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. INHOFE:

S. 3171. A bill to amend the impact aid program under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve the delivery of payments under the program to local educational agencies; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BOND (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. BURNS, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. SNOWE, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 3172. A bill to improve the calculation of the Federal subsidy rate with respect to certain small business loans, and for other purposes; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. BIDEN:

S. Res. 358. A resolution congratulating the people of Mozambique on their successful efforts to establish, build, and maintain peace in their country for the past ten years, and for other purposes; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mr. SMITH of Oregon):

S. Con. Res. 158. A concurrent resolution urging the Government of Egypt and other Arab governments not to allow their government-controlled television stations to broadcast any program that lends legitimacy to the Protocols of the Elders of Zion, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 847

At the request of Mr. DAYTON, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to impose tariff-rate quotas on certain casein and milk protein concentrates.

S. 2215

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. GRAMM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2215, a bill to halt Syrian support for terrorism, end its occupation of Lebanon, stop its development of weapons of mass destruction, cease its illegal importation of Iraqi oil, and by so doing hold Syria accountable for its role in the Middle East, and for other purposes.

S. 2573

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2573, a bill to amend the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to reauthorize the Act, and for other purposes.

S. 2626

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2626, a bill to protect the public health by providing the Food and Drug Administration with certain authority to regulate tobacco products.

S. 2945

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2945, to authorize appropriations for nanoscience, nanoengineering, and nanotechnology research, and for other purposes.

S. 2991

At the request of Mr. TORRICELLI, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2991, a bill for the relief of Sharif Kesbeh, Asmaa Sharif Kesbeh, Batool Kesbeh, Noor Sharif Kesbeh, Alaa Kesbeh, Sandos Kesbeh, Hadeel Kesbeh, and Mohammed Kesbeh.

S. 3114

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr.

DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3114, a bill to ensure that a public safety officer who suffers a fatal heart attack or stroke while on duty shall be presumed to have died in the line of duty for purposes of public safety officer survivor benefits.

S.J. RES. 35

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 35, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims.

S. RES. 325

At the request of Mr. SESSIONS, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 325, resolution designating the month of September 2002 as "National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month".

AMENDMENT NO. 4911

At the request of Mr. BYRD, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4911 proposed to H.R. 5005, a bill to establish the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

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At the request of Mr. CORZINE, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4911 proposed to H.R. 5005, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 4911

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4911 proposed to H.R. 5005, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 4953

At the request of Mr. BYRD, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4953 proposed to H.R. 5005, a bill to establish the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4953

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, her name and the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4953 proposed to H.R. 5005, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 4953

At the request of Mr. REED, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4953 proposed to H.R. 5005, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 4960

At the request of Mr. SARBANES, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4960 proposed to H.R. 3529, a bill to provide tax incentives for economic recovery and assistance to displaced workers.

AMENDMENT NO. 4960

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4960 proposed to H.R. 3529, supra.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. INHOFE: